

**West Tavaputs Plateau  
Natural Gas Full Field Development Plan  
Draft Environmental Impact Statement  
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**Abstract:**

Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management Price Field Office has prepared an Environmental Impact Statement on the impacts of development of the natural gas resources in the West Tavaputs Plateau Project Area. The West Tavaputs Plateau Project Area includes approximately 137,930 acres of Federal, State, and private lands in Carbon and Duchesne Counties in eastern Utah. The Bureau of Land Management Utah State Director is the Authorized Officer for this project.

Bill Barrett Corporation, together with some other lessees, submitted a proposal to the Bureau of Land Management to develop the natural gas resources on leased and unleased lands in the West Tavaputs Plateau Project Area. This Environmental Impact Statement considers and analyzes potential impacts of natural gas development in West Tavaputs Plateau Project Area under five alternatives: the Proposed Action (Alternative A), No Action Alternative (Alternative B), Transportation Impact Reduction Alternative (Alternative C), Conservation Alternative (Alternative D), and Agency Preferred Alternative (Alternative E).